

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. 03-465-D (400.151))

In the Application of:)	
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McSwiggen et al)	
)	Examiner: Gibbs
Serial No.: 10/826,966)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1635
Filing Date: April 16, 2004)	
)	Confirmation No. 2134
For: RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition)	
of Gene Expression Using Chemically)	
Modified Short Interfering Nucleic)	
Acid (siNA))	

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 24, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please consider the amendments and remarks made herein in response to the Office Action mailed October 24, 2006. Please charge all fees due to deposit account number 13-2490.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. 1.8)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to the USPTO via the USPTO EFS on March 23, 2007.

Date: March 23, 2007

/Michael S. Greenfield/